

Thompson

Connecticut

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Belongs to
Windham County
Danielson Labor Market Area
Northeast Economic Dev. Region
Northeastern Connecticut Planning Area

Incorporated in 1785

Demographics

				<i>Race/Ethnicity (1998)</i>			
<i>Population (1998)</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>
1980	8,141	92,313	3,107,580	White	8,854	96,816	2,648,212
1990	8,668	102,525	3,287,116	Black	17	1,131	274,213
1998	9,031	105,074	3,271,239	Asian Pacific	35	1,128	73,304
2003	9,167	105,698	3,272,149	Native American	31	349	5,952
'98-'03 Growth	1.51%	0.59%	0.03%	Other	5	119	5,336
				Hispanic (any race)	89	5,531	264,222
Land Area (sq. miles)	46.95	512.80	4,845	<i>Poverty Rate (1990)</i>	5.77%	8.03%	6.61%
Pop./ Sq. Mile (1998)	192.35	204.90	653	<i>Educational Attainment (1990)</i>			
Per Capita Inc. (1998)	\$18,831	\$19,067	\$27,078	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>
Households (1998)	3,321	37,859	1,229,087	High School Graduate	1,861	32.0%	648,366
Median Age (1997)	38.1	35.5	37.2	Some College	1,299	22.4%	495,696
				Bachelors or More	853	14.7%	597,693
<i>Age Distribution (1998)</i>							
	<i>0-4</i>	<i>5-17</i>	<i>18-24</i>	<i>25-49</i>	<i>50-64</i>	<i>65+</i>	<i>Total</i>
Male	307 7%	850 19%	350 8%	1,621 37%	700 16%	574 13%	4,402
Female	293 6%	785 17%	309 7%	1,652 36%	729 16%	861 19%	4,629
County Total	7,374 7%	19,288 18%	10,266 10%	39,269 37%	15,064 14%	13,813 13%	105,074
State Total	216,119 7%	550,400 17%	280,101 9%	1,257,928 38%	499,093 15%	467,598 14%	3,271,239

Economics

<i>Business Profile (1997)</i>					<i>Top Five Grand List (1997)</i>		
<i>Sector</i>	<i>Firms</i>	<i>% of Total</i>	<i>Emp.</i>	<i>% of Total</i>		<i>Amount</i>	<i>% of Total</i>
Agriculture	9	3.0%	26	1.4%	Melrose/Johnson Corrugated, Inc.	\$2,707,801	0.81%
Const. and Mining	99	32.7%	307	16.6%	Connecticut Light & Power Company	\$2,413,539	0.73%
Manufacturing	28	9.2%	545	29.5%	Donald Hoenig/Realty Holding	\$2,062,585	0.62%
Trans. And Utilities	13	4.3%	75	4.1%	Quinebaug Park, Inc.	\$1,509,808	0.45%
Trade	66	21.8%	281	15.2%	Grove Corp./Kenyon Oil	\$1,307,016	0.39%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	8	2.6%	30	1.6%	Grand List Total (1996)	\$332,687,871	
Services	77	25.4%	519	28.1%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (1997)</i>		
Government	3	1.0%	65	3.5%	Thompson Pub. School Sys.	Numa Tool Company	
Total	303	100.0%	1,848	100.0%	Sanitary-Dash Mfg. Co., Inc.	Ivanhoe Tool & Die Co., Inc.	
					Johnson Corrugated		
						<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
					<i>Retail Sales (1996)</i>	\$10,228,785	\$30,837,967,729

Education

<i>1995-1996 School Year</i>				<i>Connecticut Mastery Test Percent Above Goal</i>					
	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>		<i>Grade 4</i>		<i>Grade 6</i>		<i>Grade 8</i>	
Total Students	1,501	461,203		<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
Total Expenditures Per Pupil	\$7,884	\$8,300		Reading	54 55	52 60	60 64		
Average Teacher's Salary	\$47,266	\$48,598		Math	49 59	29 52	42 51		
Students Attending Public School	90.4%	89.2%		Writing	33 46	42 46	61 51		
Student/Teacher Ratio	16.7	14.5							
Grads Pursuing Post-Sec. Education	75.3%	75.8%		<i>Average SAT Score</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>		
High School Dropout Rate	5.0%	4.6%		Verbal		526	503		
<i>Average Class Size</i>				Math		534	499		
Kindergarten 14.7	Grade 2 23.2								
Grade 5 26.3	Grade 7 23.9	High School 15.8							

Connecticut Town Profiles 1998-1999

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Government

Government Form	Selectman- Town Meeting	Annual Debt Service (1996)	\$1,219,903
		As % of Expenditures	10.0%
Total Revenue (1996)	\$13,703,419	Equalized Grand List (1996)	\$423,321,756
Tax Revenue	\$5,662,776	Per Capita	\$48,507
Non-tax Revenue	\$564,450	As % of State Average	62.2%
Intergovernmental	\$7,476,193	Date of Last Revaluation	10/ 1/90
Per Capita Tax (1996)	\$640	Moody's Bond Rating (1997)	A
As % of State Average	45.0%	Actual Mill Rate (1997)	17.56
		Equalized Mill Rate (1996)	13.27
		% of Grand List Com/Ind (1995)	6.5%

Housing

Housing Stock (1997)	Town	County	State	Sales Price Distribution (1996)	Town	County	State
Existing Units (total)	3,795	42,880	1,374,566	Number of Sales			
% Single Unit	73.9%	65.0%	62.9%	Less than \$100,000	79	909	22,254
New Permits Auth. (1997)	19	323	9,349	\$100,001-\$200,000	29	411	20,713
As % Existing Units	0.50%	0.75%	0.68%	\$200,001-\$300,000	2	27	6,600
Demolitions (1997)	1	28	1,193	\$300,001-\$400,000	1	6	2,730
Residential Sales (1996)	111	1,355	56,333	\$400,001 or More	0	2	4,036
Average Price	\$103,866	\$99,084	\$194,596	1996 Characteristics			
Median Price	\$100,000	\$93,825	\$138,000	Owner Occupied Dwellings	2,503	24,954	807,559
				Housing Stock Age - Pre-1950	33.6%	36.4%	33.9%
				Subsidized Housing Units	223	5,189	148,930

Labor Force

1997	Town	County	State	Commuters (1990)		
Labor Force	4,720	55,776	1,723,300	Commuters into Town from	Town Residents Commuting to	
Employed	4,467	52,071	1,635,400	1. Thompson	875	Massachusetts 1729
Unemployed	253	3,705	87,900	2. Massachusetts	181	Thompson 875
Unemployment Rate	5.4%	6.6%	5.1%	3. Putnam	148	Putnam 581
Total Employment	1,550	34,800	1,581,700	4. Killingly	81	Killingly 309
Manufacturing	570	8,480	265,850	5. Rhode Island	80	Woodstock 126
'92-'97 Growth Rate	5.4%	7.7%	4.3%	6. Woodstock	69	Pomfret 82
Daytime Population	1,886	42,607	1,740,247	7. Plainfield	23	Rhode Island 76
				8. Pomfret	16	Norwich 51
				9. Sterling	15	Windham 49
				10. Ashford	13	Brooklyn 48

Quality of Life

Town	State	Library (1996-1997)	Town	Residential Utilities	
Banks (1997)	0	1,378	Total Volumes	38,759	Electric Provider
Lodging (1997)	3	756	Circulation Per Capita	8.3	Connecticut Light & Power
Day Care Facilities (1998)	2	1,651			1-800-286-2000
Infant Mortality Rate			Distance to Major Cities	Miles	Gas Provider
Per 1,000 Res. (1995)	0.715	0.099	Hartford	44	na
Crime Rate (1996)			Boston	50	na
Per 1,000 Residents	15.3	40	New York City	141	Water Provider
% Open Land (1990)	78.3%	68.8%	Providence	26	Municipal Provider
					Contact local provider
Hospitals (1997)	0	2			Cable Provider
Total Beds	0	234			Charter Communications of Northeastern CT
					800-872-7299